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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations

**SUBJECT: CS Concern with the
Jackson Committee Investigation.**

1. This memorandum is for COPS information. Action is suggested in paragraph 9.

2. Mr. Gordan Gray discussed the Jackson Committee Investigation at the 24 July meeting of the NSC Planning Board. His statements indicate the existence of potential dangers for the Clandestine Services.

3. Mr. Gray stated that the Jackson Committee would most probably call all members of the Planning Board to testify at formal hearings. He continued that he felt that the Committee would also explore "far down" into "wide ranges of the policy implementation machinery." As an example he cited the Armed Forces Policy Council stating that its functions would probably be explored.

4. Such exploration of the policy implementation mechanisms internal to government agencies could have implications for the Clandestine Services. CIA is represented on the planning board by Mr. Robert Amory. Technically Mr. Amory is not a "member" of the board. However, it would be logical for the Committee to call him to testify as to how the Planning Board got up to date intelligence estimates and information. Consideration of this CIA support function could well lead the Committee to a line of questioning covering CIA receipt, use of, and influence on policy.

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5. Another area of danger will exist in the testimony of individuals from other operating agencies, particularly those individuals below Planning Board level who are charged with translating policy into programs. Their indications of where their responsibilities end and clandestine activity takes over would, in aggregate, outline the area of CIA clandestine activity.

6. Since CIA personnel from the clandestine services function at the OCB Board Assistants level and are members of working groups CS activity may be scrutinized at that level.

7. The staff for the Committee includes Mr. Garside, a New York lawyer; Mr. Kenneth Mansfield who served on the Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy; a Mr. Tufts once of the Policy Planning Staff under Truman. Formal hearings may start in January. Mr. John Warner has been asked by Mr. Garside to meet with him at lunch today (28 July). Mr. Warner will find out what is on their minds and make no commitments. Mr. Ed McCabe has been put in charge for the administration of all matters concerning the investigation.

8. It is my understanding that the President's agreement with Senator Jackson prohibits inquiry into substance; that it limits the Committee to study of procedures and mechanisms. The Clandestine Services and their procedures, mechanisms of implementation, and scope of activity should not be revealed.

9. It is recommended that DCI be appraised of Clandestine Services concern. (DDI has the responsibility for briefing DCI on NSC matters. However, this matter is more vital to DDP than DDI. Perhaps DDP representatives could touch base with Mr. Amory.) As Congressional Liaison officer, Mr. Warner, could perhaps be charged with overall responsibility and some DDP officer could work with him to protect CS interests.

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